



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

*WHEREAS, child abuse is a community problem and finding solutions depends on involvement among people throughout the community; and*

*WHEREAS, approximately 3 million children are reported abused and neglected in this country each year and almost 12,000 were reported last year in Idaho; and*

*WHEREAS, the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities and need to be addressed by the entire community; and*

*WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among families, social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community; and*

*WHEREAS, all citizens should become more aware of the negative effects of child abuse and its prevention within their communities and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment; and*

*WHEREAS, several statewide and community-based organizations, including the Exchange Club, the Independent Order of Foresters and the Idaho Children's Trust Fund have as their purpose to prevent child abuse and neglect in our state;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2002, to be*

**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

*in Idaho.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-sixth day of March in the year of our Lord two-thousand and two of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-sixth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twelfth.*

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Pete T. Cenarrusa in black ink.

PETE T. CENARRUSA  
SECRETARY OF STATE